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In re Patent Application of:  
Vernon E. Staton

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For: EXPLOSION PROTECTION SYSTEM

Examiner: L. Semunegus

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 8, 2004, the shortened statutory period for response being extended to December 8, 2004, by the Petition For Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.